

1907 he was selected by unanimous vote of the committee to prepare plans for and superintend the construction of a \$75,000 building for the colored branch of the Young Men's Christian Association. In 1908 he was awarded the contract, by the municipal government of the District of Columbia, for a \$90,000 public school building, known as the Garfield School.

His work has not been confined to Washington, however, for in every section of the South may be found buildings constructed in accordance with his planning. He recently completed plans for a large trade school building for the Voorhees Industrial School at Denmark, S. C. In February, 1909, he completed plans and specifications for the new Willbank Agricultural Building at Tuskegee, to cost \$30,000. He is now constructing two Kentucky state government buildings at Frankfort for the Kentucky Normal and Industrial Institute, for colored people, stone structures, to cost \$30,000. One is a trades' building and the other a large auditorium and administration building.



NEGRO BUILDING, JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION

In addition to the Negro Building at the Jamestown Exposition, he planned for the construction of several smaller buildings, in connection with the Negro department, and also for the remodeling of a large hotel building at Norfolk, Va.

Mr. Pittman organized and is president of the Fairmont Heights Improvement Company of Washington, an investment company which has just completed a \$3,000 public hall building in the colored suburb of Washington known as Fairmont Heights. He was elected president of the Heights Citizens' Committee at its last election.

He has been earnestly interested in the Negro Business League of the District of Columbia, which he organized, and of which he

has for two years been the president. This league has an enrollment of more than one hundred active professional and business men and women. He is editor of the *Negro Business League Herald*, a monthly magazine devoted to the commercial and material advancement of the members of the National and Local Negro Business Leagues and of the race in general.

He was one of the organizers and is president of the Lincoln Memorial Building Company, a corporation organized for the purpose of constructing a memorial to Lincoln and to the thrift and energy of the American Negro, in the form of a large theater and office building in the heart of the business district of Washington, to be exclusively owned and managed by Negroes. The corporation is capitalized at \$400,000.

Mr. Pittman is the son-in-law of Dr. Booker T. Washington of Tuskegee Institute.

Frederick D. Patterson Greenfield, Ohio

MR. PATTERSON is a carriage builder, general manager of the firm of C. R. Patterson & Sons. He was born in Greenfield, Ohio, in 1871. His father was a man of usefulness and influence in the community, and, by reason of his mechanical

skill, enjoyed opportunities not usually accorded thirty years or more ago to one of his race. He was a partner with white men in a representative business firm for a number of years. Frederick was given every possible educational advantage, receiving instruction in the public schools, and finally in a course at the Ohio State University, Columbus. At the end of his college course he became a teacher in the Louisville High School, resigning in 1901 to engage with his father and brother in carriage manufacturing in Greenfield. The business has assets



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that will aggregate \$40,000; a trade employing 40 skilled mechanics; an output of 500 new high-grade vehicles each year; an annual business of \$75,000.

Mr. Patterson is a member of the Executive Committee of the National Negro Business League.